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United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
4,881,327	Hauser et al.	11-21-1989
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Foreign Patent Documents

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WO	2005/003453	Metso Paper, Inc.	01-13-2005

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Other Documents

International Search Report issued in PCT/FI2004/050110

International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued in PCT/FI2004/050110

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